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Representative in Bombay

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1. Nicolai A. Levitski (Levitsky) is the representative of the TASS agency in Bombay. ^{He also holds the position of} ~~He also holds the position of~~ official representative of Sovexport Films, in which capacity he acts as the middleman between the Soviet Government and the distributing company operated by Vladimir G. Sayadiants.
2. Levitski maintains an office-residence in Bombay and frequently travels between Bombay and New Delhi. The films which arrive in New Delhi from Moscow via diplomatic pouch are delivered by him to Sayadiants in Bombay.
3. It is reported that Levitski has been in India approximately three years. His first assignment kept him in Calcutta where he worked under A.N. Elshin**, Soviet Trade Commissioner.
4. TASS articles and photographs are available from Levitski's office when he is in Bombay. Sayadiants has also been known to furnish the newspapers with TASS material.

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* Comment. This distributing company is known as the Soviet Films Distributors and has been given the distributorship rights for India by the All Union Corporation, Sovexport Films, Moscow. For further information see [redacted]

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** [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] dated 21 April 1949, states that A.N. Elshin and wife departed for the USSR and are not scheduled to return to Calcutta. 25X1A2g

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